

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SCANDOLA et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments without prejudice.